

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2012-40-S - ORDER NO. 2012-209

APRIL 3, 2012

IN RE:	Application of Midlands Utility, Inc.)	ORDER GRANTING
	Requesting Modification of Its Tariff for)	REQUEST TO MODIFY
	Wastewater Service and Rate Adjustment to)	TARIFF
	Residential and Commercial Customers in)	
	Richland, Lexington, Fairfield and)	
	Orangeburg Counties (Implementation of)	
	Analytical Testing Fee))	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on a request from Midlands Utility, Inc. (“Midlands”) to modify its tariff for wastewater service and for a rate adjustment to residential and commercial customers in Richland, Lexington, Fairfield and Orangeburg counties pursuant to S.C. Code. Ann. § 58-5-240(G). The modification is to implement an analytical testing fee that will be allocated on a pro rata basis to affected customers who are on a system that currently requires, or will require in the future, analytical testing by the wastewater treatment providers. The Office of Regulatory Staff has reviewed this matter and has no objection.

S.C. Code Ann. 58-5-240(G) allows the Commission to approve rates or tariffs to be put into effect without a hearing when such rates or tariffs do not require a determination of the entire rate structure or overall rate of return. As this analytical testing fee will not affect the entire rate structure or overall rate of return and, since no protests or petitions to intervene have been filed, we grant the request of Midlands to

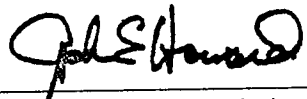
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modify its tariff language without a hearing. We also grant the request to allow the analytical testing fee to be passed through to impacted customers without markup.

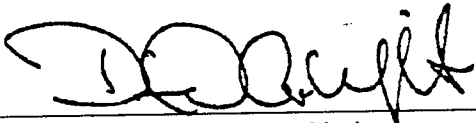
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



John E. Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:



David A. Wright, Vice Chairman
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